

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT
U.S. Appl. No. 10/601,559

REMARKS

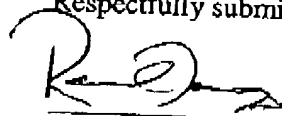
Claims 1-20 are all the claims pending in the application.

Applicants have made a non-narrowing amendment to Claim 14 in order to clarify that it is the particular particles of the claimed non-magnetic powder other than carbon black which have an average major axis length of 0.01 to 0.2 μm . No new matter has been added.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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